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5.01 NAMES OF STREETS

All streets of the Village shall be known and designated by the names applied hereto, respectively, on the map of the Village kept on file in the Village Hall office. The street names designated on such map shall continue to be the names of the streets unless and until changed by ordinance of the Village Board.

5.02 DAMAGE TO PUBLIC PROPERTY

No person shall damage or deface any street, public way, park or other Village or public property, or any post, wire, lamp, street sign, traffic sign, tree, grass, vegetation, gutter, drain, manhole or any other appurtenance thereon.

5.03 ENCROACHMENTS ON STREETS

A. PERMIT: No person shall erect or maintain any structure or thing on, over or under any street or public right-of-way except by permit from the Village Board. Application for such permit shall describe the nature of the encroachment in such detail as the Village Board shall require. The Board, in its discretion, may issue or deny the permit and may impose any conditions to such permit as it deems appropriate.

B. AWNINGS: Awnings shall be permitted pursuant to Sign Regulations of this

Code.

C. MAINTENANCE: Any encroachment on any street or public way shall be maintained so that it does not endanger or obstruct the public.

5.04 OBSTRUCTING STREETS

A. FREE PASSAGE: No person shall obstruct or endanger the free passage or proper use of the public on any street or public place, except as may be permitted by this Code.

B. EXCEPTIONS: Goods, wares and merchandise may be placed on walkways for such reasonable time as may be necessary while loading and unloading, provided pedestrian traffic is not totally obstructed.

5.05 MATERIAL IN PUBLIC WAYS

No person shall place any materials on or over any street, walkway or public place.

5.06 DEBRIS ON PUBLIC PROPERTY

No person shall litter or deposit any foreign matter on any street, walkway, right-of-way, park or public place, except building materials and merchandise as permitted under this Code, or as may be permitted by the Chief.

5.07 EXCAVATIONS IN STREETS and RIGHTS-OF-WAY *Amended, 398*

A. PERMIT: In addition to any other governmental permit, no person shall excavate in or tunnel under any street in the Village without first securing a permit in advance of such work from the Building Department.

B. DEPOSIT: A deposit shall be made pursuant to this Code for any excavation in streets or right-of-way.

C. RESTORATION: Restoration shall include right-of-way restoration to the original or acceptable condition.

D. STANDING BOND: Any public utility or other person shall deposit a letter of credit, approved by the Village Engineer, with the Village to assure the proper repair of Village streets whenever work is done in the Village.

E. To the extent the provisions of this Section may conflict with any of the provisions of Chapter 12, the more restrictive provisions shall prevail.

5.08 PROTECTION OF WORK IN STREETS

Any person constructing, repairing, or making any excavation in or tunneling under, or placing any material on or over any street, right-of-way or other public place shall maintain suitable barricades and other protective devices as necessary to prevent injury to any person(s) exposed to the construction process. Adequate lighting shall be maintained during the night time to warn the

public. No person, unless authorized by the Village, shall interfere with or disturb any such warning devices.

A JULIE dig number shall be obtained and a permit shall be secured from the Building Department at least 24 hours in advance of placing any barricades in any street.

5.09 OPENINGS IN STREETS

A. PERMIT: No street, tree bank, public ground or place shall be disturbed or opened, nor shall any material or thing be placed or kept therein without first making application to the Building Department for the privilege of making said opening and to have a written permit issued by the Building Inspector for said opening.

B. APPLICATION: Persons desiring such openings shall make application to the Building Department on a form furnished by the Village. No permit will be issued until the permittee:

1. Completes an application for opening providing all information required by the Village and states fully all purposes for which the opening is required.
2. Contacts all individuals or corporations operating gas, electric, telephone or other public utility in the area, as well as the Village itself to receive from them the information as to the existence and location of any underground facilities, so that the proper precautions can be taken to avoid serious damage to the underground structures. Before opening is started the applicant shall furnish the Building Inspector with written statements from persons named above to the effect that they have been informed of the proposed project.
3. Files a work scheduled approved by the Building Inspector indicating starting date and date of completion and number of hours each day that work will be undertaken.
4. Agrees to make an opening in such a manner as to not unreasonably interfere with vehicular and pedestrian traffic, the demand and necessity for parking spaces, and the means of egress to or from properties affected.

If an opening requires the closing of a street, permit approval is required from the Village Board and the permittee shall provide for and pay all costs of detouring traffic.

5. Secures an IDOT permit if required.
6. Pays a permit fee, which shall be determined from time to time by the Village Board.
7. Agrees to pay all costs of Village engineering or inspection services if deemed necessary by the Building Inspector. Permittee may be required to

place on deposit with the Village an estimated cost of engineering and/or inspection services. The permittee, however, shall only pay the actual costs of such services.

8. File with the Village a letter of credit, subject to approval and payable to the Village, conditioned that such person shall faithfully observe the ordinances of the Village and shall make and repair such openings and space, and shall save and keep harmless the Village from all costs arising in any manner or way from the granting of such permit. The amount of the bond shall be determined by the Building Inspector, but in no case shall it be less than \$1,000.
9. Agrees to adequately protect all excavations with barricades, lights, or other means of protection required by the Building Inspector. The name, address and home telephone number of the person responsible for the work shall also be filed with the Village.
10. Agrees that materials used and methods of construction shall be in conformance with specifications established by the Village Engineer or Building Inspector. All work shall be under the supervision of the Building Inspector.
11. Agrees to secure and protect the Village from any liability or damage whatsoever for injury, including death, to any person or property and files with the Village liability insurance certificates in an amount to be established from time to time by the Village Board, but in no case less than \$1,000,000.

C. **DEFAULT:** In any case where a permittee shall be in default or shall fail to comply with the requirements of this Section, or shall fail to complete the work on the date agreed upon, the Building Inspector shall order the work completed by the Village and shall so notify the permittee and surety in writing. The Village shall recover the cost from the permittee or his surety.

5.10 STREET MAINTENANCE

A. **DUTY IMPOSED:** It shall be the responsibility of every subdivider or developer to keep and maintain the streets and ways in and around the subdivision clean and free from all dirt, mud, construction material and other debris during the period of construction.

B. **STREETS:** The duty imposed by this Section shall apply to all streets within the subdivision, all streets designated as construction traffic routes and all perimeter streets or streets adjacent to the subdivision.

C. **REQUIRED CLEANING:** Every subdivider or developer shall scrape each street described herein every day during the period of construction, and shall sweep or cause the streets to be swept once every week. In addition to the foregoing, every subdivider shall be required to scrape, sweep or remove debris from the streets as from time to time directed by the Building Inspector or the Village Engineer.

D. **SNOW AND ICE REMOVAL:** In the event one or more Certificates of Occupancy have been issued for any structures located on an unaccepted street, the subdivider or developer shall be responsible for snow and ice removal. If required by the Village, a subdivider or developer shall enter into a contract with the Village for snow and ice removal. The cost of such service shall be approved from time to time by the Village Board using the IDOT approved cost schedule.

E. **PENALTIES:** Any subdivider violating any provision of this Section shall be subject to one or more of the following penalties, said penalties being cumulative and in addition to any other penalties which may be imposed:

1. A fine of not less than \$25 nor more than \$500 for each offense, and a separate offense shall be deemed committed on each day during or on which a separate violation occurs or continues.
2. The Village may undertake the necessary cleaning as required herein and then assess the costs and expenses, including reasonable attorneys' fees, incurred by the Village for such cleaning against the subdivider and may take action against the letter of credit.
3. "Stop Work Orders" for the subdivision may be issued by the Village until the subdivider complies with the requirements herein. No work shall be done in the subdivision while the stop work order is in effect.
4. The Village may withhold the issuance of Certificates of Occupancy for all residences or other structures within the subdivision until the subdivider complies with requirements herein.

F. **NOTICE:** Prior to the imposition of the penalties set forth herein, the Village shall send a written notice to the subdivider or developer setting forth the specific violation(s) of this Code. The subdivider or developer shall have 24 hours from the date of the notice within which time to comply with the terms of the Code. In the event the subdivider or developer does not comply with the terms herein within said 24-hour period, the Village may proceed to impose the penalties provided for herein. No notice shall be required prior to the imposition of said penalties.

5.11 CURBS AND GUTTERS

All curbs and gutters hereinafter constructed in the Village shall be constructed pursuant to this Code and under the supervision of the Village Engineer and Building Inspector.

5.12 BURNING LEAVES AND RUBBISH

No person shall burn any leaves, paper, rubbish or other substances upon any street.

5.13 DRIVEWAYS

A. **PERMIT:** No person shall construct a driveway entering any street without a

permit from the Building Department. Driveways shall be constructed according to the requirements of this Code and shall be constructed of asphalt or concrete.

B. CULVERTS: Culverts may be required in areas not served by curb, gutter and storm sewers, prior to the point of entry of the driveway to the public road, as defined in this Code. The length, width, depth and location of the culvert shall be subject to the approval of the Village Engineer or Building Inspector.

In the event driveways are to be altered where there have been no previous culverts or previous culverts are inadequate, new culverts shall be installed pursuant to this Code.

If, in the judgment of the Village Engineer, culverts are needed to remove any obstructions in drainage ditches or swales, the Village shall install a culvert of the size and length determined by the Village Engineer. The cost of the culvert and repaving that portion of any driveway that may be affected shall be borne by the owner of the property.

Maintenance to ensure proper water flows of all culverts, ditches and swales shall be the responsibility of the abutting property owner or tenant.

5.14 EASEMENTS, RIGHTS-OF-WAY, DITCHES/SWALES *Amended, 398*

Easements, rights-of-way, ditches and swales are that portion of each property in the Village from the front property line to the roadway, which has already been dedicated to the Village to be used for utilities, surface drainage and future roadway. Said easements, rights-of-way, ditches and swales are regulated as follows:

1. Buildings, structures or any parts of appurtenances thereto shall not be constructed or placed in any easement so as to restrict drainage channels.
2. The placement of any fill material in the right-of-way between the property line of the property owner and the public road shall require a permit issued by the Building Department.
3. No permit to alter, build or fill any part of the dedicated roadway shall be issued by the Building Department until written approval is received from the Village Engineer or Building Inspector that the proposed alteration, building or fill will in no way effect surface water run-off capacities or patterns of surrounding properties.
4. The cost of the engineering review shall be paid by the person(s) desiring the modification and shall be paid prior to the review being made.
5. All ditches and swales shall have the appropriate vegetation in the form of grass to eliminate erosion and sedimentation that could be caused by water transversing the ditch or swale, unless some other form of erosion and sedimentation control is recommended by the Village Engineer for the project.
6. In the event the provisions of this Section conflict in any way with the provisions of Chapter 12, the more restrictive provisions shall prevail.

5.15 SUMP PUMP DISCHARGE

No person shall construct, alter, maintain or in any way provide for the discharge of a sump pump, either directly or indirectly, to any public street.

5.16 NUMBERING BUILDINGS

A. **NUMBERING BUILDINGS:** All buildings abutting streets of the Village shall be numbered in accordance with the Village Map prepared by the Village Engineer, which map shall be kept on file in the Village Hall office.

B. **RESPONSIBILITY:** It shall be the duty of the owners and occupants of every building in the Village to have placed thereon or on the property, in a place visible from the street, in Arabic numerals (script not permitted) at least two inches high, showing the number of the house.

5.17 MAILBOX INSTALLATION

Mailboxes installed along Village streets shall be in accordance with U.S. Postal Service regulations. The placement of such mailboxes shall not interfere with street maintenance projects, such as snow plowing and street cleaning.

5.18 IDOT AGREEMENTS

The discharge of sanitary sewage and industrial waste water into a storm sewer or drainage facility constructed as part of an improvement specified in any agreement between the Village and IDOT is prohibited.

Any encroachment into an IDOT right-of-way is prohibited within the limits of any improvements specified in any agreement between the Village and IDOT.

5.19 UTILITY FRANCHISE AGREEMENTS *Ord. 393*

A. **DEFINITION:** In addition to the definition for “public utility” in Appendix A of this Code, for purposes of this Section, the word “utility” is to be used in the broadest and most comprehensive manner and includes, but it not limited to, entities that:

1. Fall under the definition of “public utility” at 220 ILCS 3/3-105 (the Public Utilities Act of the Illinois Compiled Statutes).
2. Are owners, operators, lessees or otherwise tied to cable communication systems, cable television systems, cable systems, cable services or multi-channel systems.
3. Is any other entity that provides any type of service or presence to or through the Village that seeks, needs or requires infrastructure installation within the Village.

B. **EXISTING UTILITIES:** All utilities currently within the Village limits are required to enter into a valid and binding franchise agreements with the Village within one year of the effective date of this Section.

C. **NEW UTILITIES:** Any utility that does not currently have facilities, equipment, inventory or any other presence within the Village are required to negotiate and enter into a franchise agreement with the Village prior to extending services to, through, under or over the public rights-of-way within the Village, regardless of whether any of the utility's services are for the benefit of Village or its residents.

D. **MISCELLANEOUS:** Any franchise agreement entered into between the Village and any utility shall pertain to the permit fee and to the utility's ability to use public streets, rights-of-way, alleys, ways for public service facilities or other public grounds which the Village may have an interest, for the construction, installation, operations, maintenance, alteration, addition, extension or improvement of the utility, its equipment or service.

E. **LIMITATION OF AUTHORITY:** Should any matter contained in this Section be directly regulated by the Illinois Commerce Commission or any other legal entity whose authority over a particular subject pre-empts the Village's authority, that particular matter shall be read to only grant the Village authority that is not subject to the pre-emption by the Illinois Commerce Commission or other government entity.

F. **PENALTY:** Any violation of this Section shall be subject to a fine of not less than \$1,500. Violators of this Section shall also be required to pay all attorney fees incurred by the Village in the enforcement of the terms of this Section.

5.20 DEPOSIT OF SNOW OR ICE UPON PUBLIC STREETS PROHIBITED *Ord. 464*

No private person, firm or corporation, shall plow or remove or cause to be plowed or removed ice or snow from any public or private driveway, shopping center, parking lot, residential, commercial or industrial area and deposit such ice or snow upon any roadway or along the shoulder or edge of any roadway in the Village.

Any person, firm or institution, public or private, who violates this Section, is guilty of a petty offense.

5.21 PARKING AFTER A SNOWFALL *Ord. 464*

A. It shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to park or cause to be parked any vehicle on any public street in the Village at any time after a snowfall of 2 inches or more has occurred, unless the street has been cleared of snow and snow removal operations have been completed.

5.22 PARKING ON VILLAGE STREETS-RESTRICTED *Ord. 673*

A. Notwithstanding any posted sign to the contrary, it shall be unlawful for any person to park any vehicle, or cause any vehicle to be parked, on any public street in the Village at any time in any year between December 1, and April 15.

5.23

OPERATION OF NON-HIGHWAY VEHICLES ON VILLAGE STREETS

Ord 685

A. Definitions: For the purposes of this section, **NON-HIGHWAY VEHICLE** means a motor vehicle not specifically designed to be used on a public highway, including:

GOLF CART: As defined in 625 ILCS 5/123.9.

RECREATIONAL OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLE: As defined in 625 ILCS 5/1-168.8.

B. Operation: No person shall operate a non-highway vehicle on a Village street except as set forth in this section.

C. Registration: Each non-highway vehicle operating on a Village street shall be registered with the Village and display a Village registration sticker and plate. This registration shall be valid from May 1 through November 1 of the year it was issued. Registrations shall not be transferable in the event of a change in ownership of the non-highway vehicle. Prior to issuance of a registration by the Village, a non-highway vehicle must comply with the requirements set forth below.

1. An annual safety inspection shall be conducted by the Police Department or a designee authorized by the Chief of Police.
2. A non-highway vehicle must have, at minimum, the following operating equipment:
 - a. Brakes;
 - b. A steering apparatus;
 - c. Tires;
 - d. A rearview mirror;
 - e. Red reflectorized warning devices in the front and rear;
 - f. Seatbelts;
 - g. A slow moving emblem (as required of other vehicles in 625 ILCS 5/12-709) on the rear of the non-highway vehicle;
 - h. A headlight that emits a white light visible from a distance of five hundred (500) feet to the front and a tail lamp that emits a red light visible from at least one hundred (100) feet from the rear;
 - i. Brake lights; and
 - j. Turn signals.
3. A non-highway vehicle shall not have a modified exhaust system which will amplify or increase the noise of the non-highway vehicle above that emitted by the muffler originally installed on the non-highway vehicle.
4. Proof of valid insurance, as identified in 625 ILCS 5/7-601 et seq., must be provided for the non-highway vehicle and the registrant must agree to insure the non-highway vehicle while in use on Village streets.

5. The registrant must agree and sign an indemnification form, releasing the Village, its elected officials and its employees from liability and indemnifying and holding them harmless from any and all claims resulting from the operation of the non-highway vehicle.
6. A fee of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) shall be paid for the initial annual safety inspection of each non-highway vehicle. A fee of fifty dollars (\$50.00) for the annual re-inspection for the same non-highway vehicle under the same ownership each year thereafter shall be paid.

D. Location: No person shall operate a non-highway vehicle except on a Village street or intersection shown as permitted on the Village's Non-Highway Vehicle Map and no person shall operate a non-highway vehicle on a Village street or intersection shown as prohibited on the Village's Non-Highway Vehicle Map. The Village approved Non-Highway Vehicle Map is attached hereto, can be found on the Village's website (www.prairiegrove.org), and a copy will also be given out with the completion of registration for non-highway vehicles. Amendments to the Non-Highway Vehicle Map may be made from time to time by the Village Administrator and republished on the Village's website. Non-highway vehicles are prohibited on all municipal parking lots, parks, County Roads, Township Roads, and State Highways.

E. Time: A person may operate a non-highway vehicle on permitted streets from May 1 through November 1 each year from six o'clock (6:00) AM to nine thirty o'clock (9:30) PM. The use of non-highway vehicles on Village streets between November 2 and April 30 and afterhours is prohibited.

F. Operation Regulations: The operation of a non-highway vehicle is subject to the following requirements:

1. Ability to travel at a speed of nineteen (19) miles per hour;
2. Display of registration decals and rear registration plate as follows:
 - a. Non-highway vehicles registered with the Village are issued two registration decals. The decals must be displayed on both sides of the machine by its own adhesive, in a position which is forward of the operator and visible to law enforcement. Operators should carry all necessary registration cards and paperwork with them for display to a law enforcement officer upon request.
 - b. In addition, all non-highway vehicles registered as public use will be required to furnish a rear plate that displays the registration number. Plates can be created or purchased at owner's expense.
 - c. Plate Specifications:
 - 1) The plate must be a minimum of four inches (4") in height and seven and one-half (7-1/2") wide and made of white material.
 - 2) The registration number must be made of black lettering a minimum of one and one-half inches (1-1/2") high with a minimum three sixteenths inches (3/16") stroke.

- 3) Only the four registration numbers and two letters need to be on the plate. The registration number can be found on both the decals issued by the Village.
 - 4) The owner must maintain the plate so it is in legible condition; and the plate shall be attached to the rear of the vehicle.
3. Valid driver's license by the operator of the non-highway vehicle issued in his or her name by the Illinois Secretary of State or by a foreign jurisdiction;
 4. The operator shall yield the right of way to all pedestrian and vehicular traffic which constitutes a hazard;
 5. Compliance with the provisions of the Illinois Vehicle Code (625 ILCS 5/1-100 et seq., as amended) to include all speed limits and rules of the road;
 6. No operation shall occur when visibility is impaired by weather, smoke, or other conditions or at any time when there is insufficient light to clearly see persons and vehicles on the roadway at a distance of five hundred (500) feet;
 7. The number of occupants shall not exceed the number of seatbelts in the non-highway vehicle; and
 8. Headlight and tail lamps must be lighted at all times when operating on Village streets.

G. **Driving Under The Influence:** A person who operates or is in actual physical control of a non-highway vehicle while under the influence of alcohol, drugs or a combination thereof shall be subject to enforcement through the Illinois Vehicle Code.

H. **Violation; Penalty:**

1. Any person violating this section shall be subject to a citation and imposition of a fine up to seven hundred fifty dollars (\$750.00) plus any attorney's fees incurred by the Village for the prosecution of the case.
2. Any person who is cited for a violation of the Illinois Criminal Code or Illinois Vehicle Code while using their non-highway vehicle in the Village, including no valid license, suspended/revoked license, reckless driving and driving under the influence which results in arrest shall result in an automatic temporary suspension of any Village registrations and, upon a finding of guilty of a violation, shall result in an automatic revocation of any Village registration.
3. Any person who has been issued two (2) or more citations for violations of this section within a twelve (12) month period shall result in an automatic temporary suspension of any Village registrations, and, upon a finding of guilty of a violation, shall result in an automatic revocation of any Village registrations for a minimum of twelve (12) months.

I. **Expiration:** This Section 5.21 expires on April 30, 2022, unless otherwise extended by the Village Board prior to the expiration.

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